In regard to the first he said that at present they were unable to give the necessary education to their children as they were very poor and had engaged themselves in bread-winning pursuits. He said that scholarships and fee concessions should be given to them as were being given to certain communities, in respect of both school and collegiate education. The artisans of Kerala were able to produce articles which elicited the admiration of the traders of Madras and Europe. He therefore urged that the Government ought to help them to improve their material condition. When scholars were sent to foreign countries to be trained in any art, candidates should be selected from members of his community. He requested that some at least of those who had passed examinations should be recruited to the public service. He referred also to certain impediments to their educational progress.

He requested that members of their community should in future be addressed as "Visvabrahmanas", comprising "Acharies" and other sub-castes, as recently ordered by the Madras Government, and that orders should be issued to the Education and other Departments to that effect.

He requested that a statement might be obtained from the Education Department showing the number of qualified men from their community who had applied for teachers' posts and the number appointed. He referred to one of their women entertained in that department who was superseded by her junior, though she was qualified for promotion.

He said that an Inspector of Co-operative societies might be appointed from their community to disseminate knowledge regarding the advantages of such societies, in which case many Co-operative Societies would, he felt sure, be started among them. He also requested that one from among them might be given a post in the Huzur Office and another either in the Police or in the Excise Department.

151. Help to the Kammala community by the nomination of representatives to the Assembly and by the award of grants to cottage industries.

Mr. Nilakantan Muttanandam (Member, Nominated) represented that, in view of the fact that his community numbered over a lakh of persons, representatives should be nominated to the Assembly from their community in proportion to their population. He said that, owing to their inability till now to represent their grievances to Government, some other communities had stolen a march over them in material prosperity. He said that it was impossible for them to be returned to the Assembly by the open door of election.

He further requested that members be nominated from his community to the Panchayat courts and Municipal Councils and to the committee appointed for considering matters relating to cottage industries, as most of such industries were now pursued by the members of his community.

President's reply.—In regard to fee concessions, at present Kammalas are regarded as a backward class so far as English education is concerned and the rules do provide for the grant of fee concessions to that community. The other points mentioned in your representation will be considered and disposed of separately.

152. Needs of Arayas.

Mr. K. Velayudhan (Member, Nominated) said that the people of the Karunagapalli and Kartikapalli taluks who lived close to the sea were suffering very much for want of good drinking water and requested that arrangements be made for the supply of drinking water to those people. It was very hard for those people to leave their homes and go to the interior to get water. If the Government were to give him the same reply as was given to Mr. Ramankunju when he brought up that subject as a resolution before the Legislative Council, he doubted whether the persons affected could get drinking water at any time.

The Member next said that the members of the Araya community should be afforded additional occupational facilities on the lines adopted by the Madras Labour Department. He stated that the orders of he Government to grant an extent of 10 cents of land to each landless family of the Araya community on concessional terms was not being properly worked, as would be seen from the answers given to certain interpellations on the subject in the Legislative Council. It was very difficult for

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